

Issuance of this permit as required by the ESA is based on a finding that such permit: (1) Was applied for in good faith, (2) will not operate to the disadvantage of the endangered species which are the subject of this permit, and (3) is consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA. Documents are available in the following offices:

Permits Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13130, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/713-2289);

Northeast Region, NMFS, One Blackburn Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930-2289 (508/281-9250);

Southeast Region, NMFS, 9721 Executive Center Drive North, St. Petersburg, FL 33702-2432 (813/570-5301);

Southwest Region, NMFS, 501 West Ocean Blvd., Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802-4213 (310/980-4001);

Northwest Region, NMFS, 7600 Sand Point Way, NE, BIN C15700, Bldg., 1, Seattle, WA 98115-0070 (206/526-6150); and

Alaska Region, NMFS, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802-1668 (907-586-7221).

Dated: December 2, 1997.

Ann D. Terbush,

Chief, Permits and Documentation Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY: U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, Washington, DC 20207.

TIME AND DATE: Tuesday, December 16, 1997, 10:00 a.m.

LOCATION: Room 420, East West Towers, 4330 East West Highway, Bethesda, Maryland.

STATUS: Open to the Public.

MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:

Bunk Beds

The staff will brief the Commission on options for Commission action to address entrapment hazards associated with bunk beds.

For a recorded message containing the latest agenda information, call (301) 504-0709.

CONTACT PERSON FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Sadye E. Dunn, Office of the Secretary, 4330 East West Highway, Bethesda, MD 20207 (301) 504-0800.

Dated: December 4, 1997.

Sadye E. Dunn,

Secretary.

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CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY: U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, Washington, DC 20207.

TIME AND DATE: Thursday, December 18, 1997 10:00 a.m.

LOCATION: Room 420, East West Towers, 4330 East West Highway, Bethesda, Maryland.

STATUS: Open to the Public.

MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:

Upholstered Furniture

The staff will brief the Commission on options for Commission action to address the risk of fires caused by small open flame ignition of upholstered furniture and the staff's evaluation of the cigarette ignition resistance of upholstered furniture. These issues were initially raised in a petition (FP 93-1) submitted by the National Association of State Fire Marshals (NASFM).

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Dated: December 4, 1997.

Sadye E. Dunn,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Air Force

Legislative Environmental Impact Statement (LEIS) for Nellis Air Force Range Renewal (NAFR)—Cooperating Agencies

SUMMARY: The Air Force is currently preparing a Legislative Environmental Impact Statement (LEIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of the proposed renewal of the Nellis Air Force Range (NAFR) Nevada. The current land withdrawal and reservation of the NAFR was established by the Military Lands Withdrawal Act of 1986 (Pub. L. 99-606) for the period ending November 6, 2001. This notice identifies

the following federal agencies as cooperating agencies for the NAFR Range Renewal LEIS: The U.S. Department of Energy, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and the Bureau of Land Management. Notice of Intent was published in the **Federal Register** on May 31, 1996.

DATES: See summary section for related date.

ADDRESSES: HQ ACC/CEVP, 129 Andrews Street, Suite 102, Langley Air Force Base, VA 23665.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Sheryl K. Parker, (804) 764-9334.

Authority Citation: 42 U.S.C. 4321-4347; 40 CFR parts 1500-1508; Pub. L. 99-606.

Barbara A. Carmichael,

Alternate Air Force Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Historically Black Colleges and Universities Capital Financing Advisory Board; Meeting

AGENCY: Historically Black Colleges and Universities Capital Financing Advisory Board; Education.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of a forthcoming meeting of the Historically Black Colleges and Universities Capital Financing Advisory Board. This notice also describes the functions of the Board. Notice of this meeting is required under Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

DATE AND TIME: December 19, 1997, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Loews L'Enfant Plaza Hotel, 480 L'Enfant Plaza S.W., Washington, DC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Carl S. Person, Executive Director, Historically Black Colleges and Universities Capital Financing Advisory Board, U.S. Department of Education, Washington, DC 20202-5139, telephone (202) 708-8328.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Historically Black Colleges and Universities Capital Financing Advisory Board is established under section 727 of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended in 1992 (20 U.S.C. 1132c-6). The Board is established to provide advice and counsel to the Secretary of Education and the designated bonding authority for the Historically Black Colleges and Universities Capital

Financing Program as to the most effective and efficient means of implementing construction financing on historically Black college and university campuses and to advise Congress regarding the progress made in implementing the program.

The meeting of the Board is open to the public. The agenda includes a briefing by members of the designated bonding authority on the status of loan activities, an overall assessment of the program, and reauthorization issues.

Records are kept of all Committee proceedings, and are available for public inspection at the office of the Historically Black Colleges and Universities Capital Financing Advisory Board, U.S. Department of Education, Washington, DC 20202-5139, from the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Dated: December 2, 1997.

David A. Longanecker,

Assistant Secretary for Postsecondary Education.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

President's Board of Advisors on Historically Black Colleges and Universities; Meeting

AGENCY: President's Board of Advisors on Historically Black Colleges and Universities, Department of Education.

ACTION: Change in meeting time.

SUMMARY: On Wednesday, November 26, 1997, on page 63138 in column 1, the Department of Education published a notice for the President's Board of Advisors on Historically Black Colleges and Universities meeting. The time of the meeting has been changed to 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. all other information printed is correct.

DATE AND TIME: December 18, 1997 from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Sheraton City Centre Hotel located at 1143 New Hampshire Avenue, NW, Washington, DC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sterling Henry, White House Initiative on Historically Black Colleges and Universities, U.S. Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, SW, the Portals Building, Suite 605, Washington, DC 20202-5120. Telephone: (202) 708-8667.

Dated: December 1, 1997.

David A. Longanecker,

Assistant Secretary for Postsecondary Education.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Energy Conservation Program for Consumer Products; Representative Average Unit Costs of Energy

AGENCY: Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In this notice, the Department of Energy (DOE or Department) is forecasting the representative average unit costs of five residential energy sources for the year 1998. The five sources are electricity, natural gas, No. 2 heating oil, propane, and kerosene. The representative unit costs of these energy sources are used in the Energy Conservation Program for Consumer Products established by the Energy Policy and Conservation Act, Pub. L. No. 94-163, 89 Stat. 871, as amended, (EPCA).

EFFECTIVE DATE: The representative average unit costs of energy contained in this notice will become effective January 7, 1998 and will remain in effect until further notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Dr. Barry P. Berlin, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Forrestal Building, Mail Station EE-43, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585-0121, (202) 586-9127

Eugene Margolis, Esq., U.S. Department of Energy, Office of General Counsel, Forrestal Building, Mail Station GC-72, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585-0103, (202) 586-9507.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 323 of the EPCA (Act) ¹ requires that DOE prescribe test procedures for the determination of the estimated annual operating costs or other measures of energy consumption for certain consumer products specified in the Act.

¹References to the "Act" refer to the Energy Policy and Conservation Act, as amended. 42 U.S.C. §§ 6291-6309.

These test procedures are found in 10 CFR Part 430, Subpart B.

Section 323(b) of the Act requires that the estimated annual operating costs of a covered product be computed from measurements of energy use in a representative average-use cycle and from representative average unit costs of energy needed to operate such product during such cycle. The section further requires DOE to provide information regarding the representative average unit costs of energy for use wherever such costs are needed to perform calculations in accordance with the test procedures. Most notably, these costs are used under the Federal Trade Commission appliance labeling program established by Section 324 of the Act and in connection with advertisements of appliance energy use and energy costs which are covered by Section 323(c) of the Act.

The Department last published representative average unit costs of residential energy for use in the Conservation Program for Consumer Products on November 18, 1996. (61 FR 58679). Effective January 7, 1998, the cost figures published on November 18, 1996, will be superseded by the cost figures set forth in this notice.

The Department's Energy Information Administration (EIA) has developed the 1998 representative average unit after-tax costs of electricity, natural gas, No. 2 heating oil, and propane and kerosene prices found in this notice. The cost projections for heating oil, electricity, and natural gas are found in the fourth quarter, 1997, EIA *Short-Term Energy Outlook*, DOE/EIA-0226 (97/4Q) and reflect the mid-price scenario. Projections for residential propane and kerosene prices are derived from their relative prices to that of heating oil, based on 1996 averages for these three fuels. The sources for these price data are the preliminary *Petroleum Marketing Annual 1996* and the September 1997 *Monthly Energy Review* (DOE/EIA-0035(97/09)). The *Short-Term Energy Outlook* and the *Monthly Energy Review* are available at the National Energy Information Center, Forrestal Building, Room 1F-048, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585, (202) 586-8800. The preliminary *Petroleum Marketing Annual 1996* is available at the following Internet address: http://www.eia.doe.gov/oil_gas/pmm/12pmmframe.html. Persons who are without access to the Internet, and who want copies of the applicable tables of the preliminary *Petroleum Marketing Annual 1996*, can obtain them from the Department's Office of Codes and Standards (phone: (202) 586-9127).